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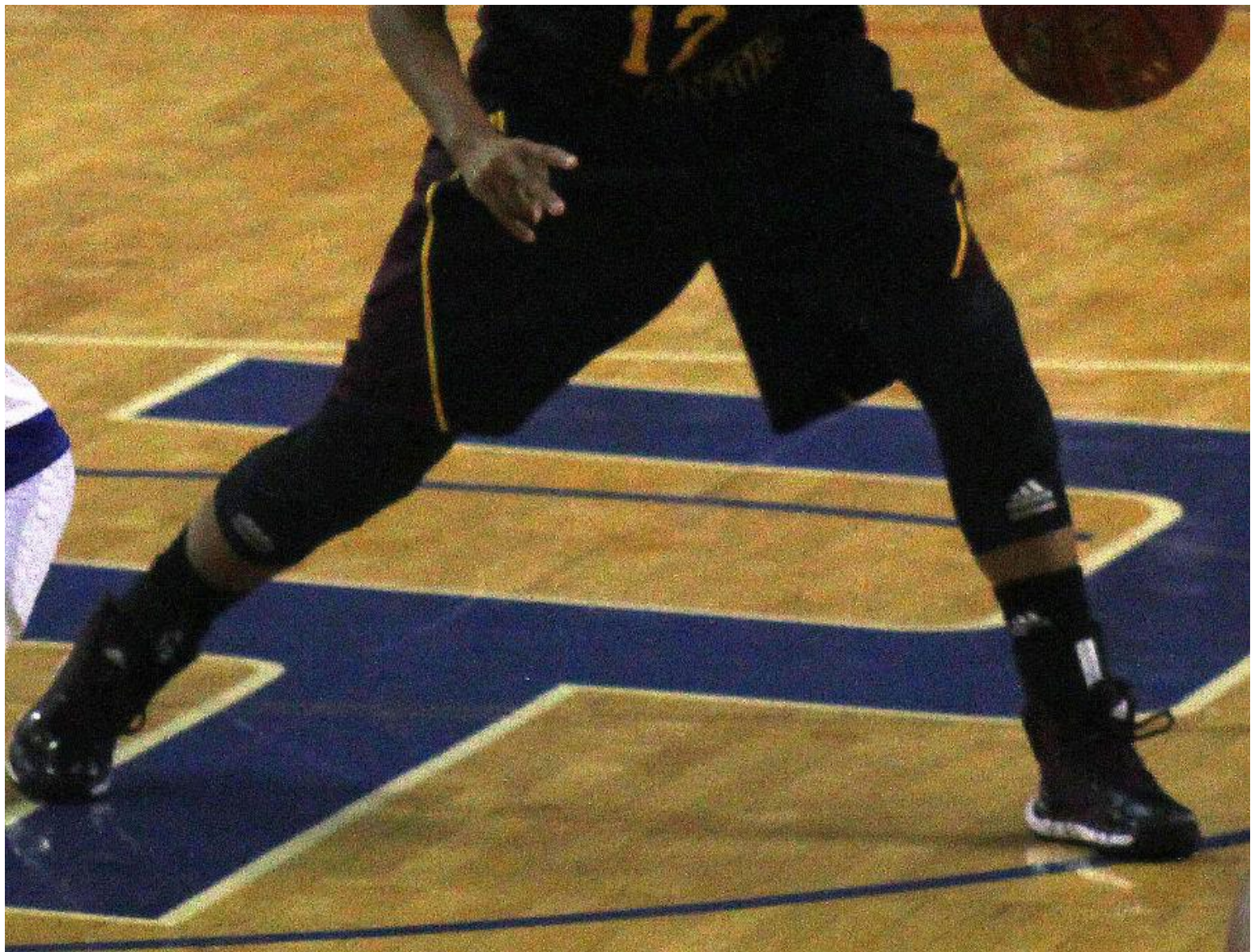
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ARMSTRONG

COLUMBUS ST.

78	Final	1	2	T	79
	ARMSTRONG (9-5, 4-4 PBC)	38	40	78	
	COLUMBUS ST. (10-4, 5-3 PBC)	40	39	79	





Posted: Jan 18, 2014

COLUMBUS, Ga. - The Armstrong Atlantic State University women's basketball team nearly erased a six-point deficit in the final minute, but a late steal and game-winning shot went awry as Columbus State University held on for a 79-78 Peach Belt Conference victory over the visiting Pirates on Saturday afternoon at the Frank G. Lumpkin Jr. center.

The loss halted a three-game win streak for the Pirates (9-5, 4-4 PBC), while Columbus State (10-4, 5-3 PBC) wins its third game out of its last four with the victory.

A three-point basket by senior **Bryonna Davis** gave the Pirates a seven-point lead, 38-31, late in the first half, but Armstrong would not score over the final three minutes, watching Columbus State score the final nine points of the half to take a 40-38 lead into the break.

Armstrong worked back to tie the game on two separate occasions in the second half, but Columbus State seemingly had the game locked up when Asha Alexander's basket with 1:29 remaining in the game

GAME LEADERS

ARMSTRONG

Pts: **Brigitta Barta** - 19

Reb: **Hanna Bognar** - 7

Ast: 3 Players (**#12, #21, #22**) - 3

COLUMBUS ST.

Pts: Chatil Bradford - 28

Reb: Carrie Washington - 15

Ast: 2 Players (**#14, #32**) - 4

TEAM STATS

ARMSTRONG

(28-74)

37.8%

Field Goals

Field Goal %

COLUMBUS ST.

(29-67)

43.3%

put the Cougars up by seven, 77-70.

Senior **Stephenie Coney** made a free throw and senior **Tyler Carlson** canned a three-point basket with just under a minute remaining to bring the Pirates to within three points, 77-74. Two free throws from Columbus State's Chatil Bradford pushed the lead back to five, 79-74, but senior **Hanna Bogнар**'s offensive rebound and layup made it a three-point game again, 79-76, with 22 seconds left.

Coney then picked the pocket of CSU's Tae Smith and hit a layup with 16 seconds left, making it a one-point game. With time running down, the Pirates again got a steal, this time Bryonna Davis nicking the ball from Britteny Tatum, but Davis' rushed shot at the buzzer fell awry, giving the Cougars the win.

The Pirates placed four players in double figures on the afternoon, led by freshman **Brigitta Barta**'s 19 points on 8-of-12 shooting from the floor and 3-of-5 from the free throw line. Davis added 17 points for Armstrong, while Carlson notched 16 points and Coney finished the afternoon with 14 points and five steals.

Bradford led all players on the day with 28 points for the Cougars, while Carrie Washington and Dee Dee Deshazer each notched 12 points. Smith added 10 points as well.

Columbus State benefitted from long range, hitting 8-of-14 three-pointers on the day for 57 percent, while Armstrong hit just 7-of-24 three-pointers for 29 percent.

Armstrong returns to action on Monday, January 20th, traveling to Americus, Ga., for a 5:30 p.m. Peach Belt Conference contest at Georgia Southwestern.



39	Rebounds	48
14	Assists	13
16	Turnovers	22
25	Pts off Turnovers	12
15	2nd Chance Pts	11
32	Pts in the Paint	26
12	Fastbreak Pts	4
25	Bench Pts	12

FULL STATS

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